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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
OO:NEW YORK

Rerep SA [redacted] Atlanta, 12/1/64, Jackson letter to New York 2/26/65. (b)(7)(c)

The indices of the Jackson Office contain the following information regarding Reverend ALLEN L. JOHNSON in the case entitled, "Desegration of Jackson, Mississippi, business establishments and public facilities, RM, Jackson;" Jackson file 167-60, Bufile 167-869. (b)(7)(c)

[redacted]

Jackson, Mississippi, advised he attended a rally sponsored by the Jackson branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) at the Negro Masonic Temple, Jackson, Mississippi, on the night of 6/7/63. Reverend A. L. JOHNSON, Pastor, Pratt Memorial Methodist Church, Pascagoula Street, Jackson, spoke briefly to the audience. (b)(7)(c)

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[redacted]

On 6/15/63, [redacted] advised that the Jackson, Mississippi, [redacted] Jackson City Council had issued a permit to ALLEN L. JOHNSON and others to conduct a "Silent Mournful formal procession beginning at approximately 12:30 p.m., 6/15/63, at the Masonic Temple, 1072 Lynch Street, Jackson. The same was in regard to the funeral of MEDGAR EVERS, Former Head of the NAACP in Mississippi.

(b)(7)(D)

The 1964 Jackson, Mississippi, City Directory lists ALLEN L. (wife PANNILA) JOHNSON as Pastor, Pratt Memorial Methodist Church, 1059 West Pascagoula Street.

The following investigation was conducted by IC [redacted] at Jackson, Mississippi.

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On 3/16/65, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Jackson, 520 South President Street advised records of that Bureau show that Reverend ALLEN L. JOHNSON, Negro male, was born in 1917. He and his wife PANNILA reside at 1059 Pascagoula Street, Jackson, Mississippi. JOHNSON is employed as Pastor of the Pratt Memorial Methodist Church, Jackson, Mississippi, and is a part-time instructor at Campbell College, Jackson, Mississippi.

He was formerly employed by the Yazoo County Board of Education as a teacher at the Lenwood School there. He also served as Pastor at the St. Stephens Methodist Church in Yazoo City, Mississippi.

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The Attorney General

April 2, 1965

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1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Parkis
1 - Mr. Phillips

BOYCOTT OF ALABAMA BY THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
TO PROTEST VOTING DISCRIMINATION
RACIAL MATTERS

A source of this Bureau who has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that Bayard Rustin, a frequent advisor to Martin Luther King, Jr., is attending a Board meeting of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference presently being held in Baltimore, Maryland. According to Rustin, the proposed boycott of Alabama products will be discussed at a meeting and Rustin indicated that he is trying to "bail out King on that stupid boycott thing." King reportedly will announce at a press conference on April 2, 1965, that he plans to ask for a limited rather than a complete boycott of Alabama products. (S)(U)

Rustin is a former member of the Young Communist League, an organization which has been cited as subversive pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General
1 - Mr. John Doar
Acting Assistant Attorney General
1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 4-1-65

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (100-10323) RUC

SUBJECT: COMINFIL SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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OO: Atlanta

Re SI let dated 2-19-65.

On 3-24-65 [redacted] advised SA [redacted] as follows: (b)(7)(D) (b)(2)(C)

The matter of student participation in SCLC projects in southern states during the coming summer months has been the subject of discussion at recent meetings of the Religious Workers Association [redacted] The consensus of religious foundations represented in the association continues to be that no recruitment should be carried on. It is further the view of the association that students who express an interest in activity of this sort, should be encouraged to consider working in civil activities in northern cities. This is the official view of the National Council of Churches and is shared by the association.

[redacted] has reminded representatives of the association that he desires to be furnished the names of students who plan to work SCLC projects in the South and stated these names would be furnished the Bureau.

Recent investigation at the University of Illinois has disclosed that university participation on a faculty and student level in the Selma-Montgomery march has been

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[redacted] On 3-24-65 [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that he has no plans to recruit personnel to work on SCLC projects this coming summer. He related that it is possible that an occasional faculty member or student might seek his advice on possible participation but he would encourage it only if the individual is sufficiently mature, stable and well informed to work effectively and without recourse to violence or provocative conduct. [redacted] gave assurances that the names of such individuals would be furnished the Bureau.

(b)(7)(c)
(b)(7)(d)

Information coming to the attention of this office concerning the identities of individuals who plan to participate in this activity will be furnished the Bureau, Atlanta and other interested offices.

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SAC, Springfield (100-10323) 4/14/65

Director, FBI (100-438794) 280 1 - Mr. Martin

COMINFIL SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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Reurlet 4/1/65.

Relet furnished the results of interviews with [redacted] and [redacted] in regard to the Summer Project being sponsored by captioned organization. Both of these individuals agreed to furnish your office the names of students at the University of Illinois who intend to participate in this program. (b)(7)(D)

You are reminded that this investigation must be limited to contacts with established sources and informants and no inquiries should be made which might give the impression that the Bureau is investigating the legitimate activities of this organization.

Advise by return mail whether the individuals contacted are established sources of your office.

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NOTE:

In accordance with Bureau instructions, Springfield is attempting to identify individuals participating in racial activities in order to determine whether any of them might have subversive backgrounds.

MAIL ROOM ☑ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL. (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE H. KELLY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1135

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE H. KELLY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 3/31/65

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (100-10241) -RUC-

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Reference Atlanta airtel to the Bureau 1/22/65; Chicago airtel to the Bureau, 2/12/65; and Springfield letter to the Bureau 2/19/65.

AT WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA

The City Directory for the City of Winchester, Winchester, Virginia, reflects that Reverend REGINALD A. MERCER is the Pastor of the Mount Carmel Baptist Church, Braddock Street, Winchester, Virginia, and that he resides at 417 South Braddock Street, Winchester, Virginia.

The current Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Directory of Virginia for the Winchester, Virginia, area reflects that telephone number 662-6324 is subscribed to by Reverend REGINALD A. MERCER, 417 South Braddock Street, Winchester, Virginia.

The only previous information concerning Reverend MERCER in Richmond files is as follows:

(b)(6)(b)

On June 24, 1963, [redacted] advised that REGINALD A. MERCER, Minister, Mount Carmel Baptist Church, Winchester, Virginia, had announced that representatives of the local Negro community in Winchester, Virginia, are going to meet with representatives of the local government and business establishments to obtain better job opportunities and recreational facilities for the local Negroes. He said that Reverend MERCER had announced

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that the local Negro group is in no way affiliated with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

He further advised that Reverend MERCER stated that the white people in Winchester, Virginia, have been sympathetic toward the Negroes and have attempted to obtain equal opportunity and responsibility for the local Negro community.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA

RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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Bureau file 100-438794
Atlanta file 100-5586

CIRM
Bureau file 100-442529
Atlanta file 100-6670

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Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies and for New York four copies of a Letterhead Memorandum suitable for dissemination.

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(1-100-148289) (Harry Wachtel)
(1-100-46728) (Bayard Rustin)
4- Atlanta (1-100-5718) (SCLC)
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(1-100-5586) (Martin Luther King, Jr.)

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The enclosed Letterhead Memorandum has been classified SECRET because it contains information from a highly sensitive source with respect to the Racial Situation in the Atlanta area. It is felt this classification is necessary in order to not jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE;
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

BAYARD RUSTIN

In "The Saturday Evening Post", issue of July 11-18, 1964, page 76, BAYARD RUSTIN is the subject of a feature article captioned "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights." In it, RUSTIN is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party". Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, RUSTIN gave most of his earnings to the "Party". He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, page 1, column 2, reported that BAYARD RUSTIN, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), held in New York City, on February 9-12, 1957.

The "Daily Worker" was an east coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958.

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(S) [redacted] that BAYARD RUSTIN contacted BENJAMIN J. DAVIS on those dates, and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, DAVIS told RUSTIN that he was working on his request and had contacted friends who had contacts with the group to which RUSTIN was to speak. (U) b1

BENJAMIN J. DAVIS

[redacted] (C) b1

"The New York Times", Monday, August 24, 1964, page 27, column 4, reports that BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on Saturday night, August 22, 1964. U

HARRY R. WACHTEL

HARRY R. WACHTEL is the Executive Vice President for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City. WACHTEL resides at 23 Split Rock Drive, Kings Port, Long Island, New York. U

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A Characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto.

GANDHI SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

The Gandhi Society for Human Rights was formed for the purpose of developing a philosophy and technique of non-violent civil rights protests. It is a non-action organization and makes no attempt to influence legislation nor participate in demonstrations. The Society furnishes legal assistance in certain civil rights cases. The organization was incorporated June 14, 1962.

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THE NATIONAL LAWYERS' GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organization and Publications", revised and published as of January 2, 1957, to supersede Guide published on May 14, 1951, by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U. S. House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following information concerning "The National Lawyers Guild:"

1. Cited as a Communist front.

   (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149).

2. Cited as a Communist front which "is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations and controlled unions" and which "since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents." (Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally released September 17, 1950.)

3. "To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the***National Lawyers' Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection."

   (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, P. 91).

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia
March 29, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Reference Letter/Memorandum dated and captioned as above at Atlanta, Georgia.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 4/5/65

FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND (100-26792) (C)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC
IS-C

Re Atlanta airtel, dated 2/16/65, to the Bureau.

Referenced airtel noted that MARTIN LUTHER, JR., President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) was contemplating a trip to Cleveland, Ohio, to fill a speaking engagement on March 17, 1965.

Reference is made to Cleveland airtel, dated March 24, 1965, to the Bureau (copy to Atlanta) under the caption, "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - SM-C" (Bufile 100-106670) which sets forth information concerning Rev. KING's visit to Cleveland, Ohio, on March 23, 1965.

In connection with KING's visit, it is noted that arrangements were made under the direction of Cleveland City Councilman JOHN W. KELLOGG and that Mr. W. WILLARD BROWN, Director of the University Circle Research Center, served as toastmaster for the occasion. It is further noted that Cleveland Mayor RALPH S. LOCHER personally greeted Rev. KING and proclaimed March 23, 1965 as Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING Day in Cleveland. Ohio Governor JAMES A. RHODES was unable to attend the banquet honoring KING, but did contact him via telephone and sent his personal check in the amount of $100.00 as a contribution to the work of the SCLC.

Cleveland confidential sources have reported no information indicating that arrangements for KING's visit were in any way influenced by subversive elements. From available public source material it appears that KING's visit was initiated and arranged by highly responsible persons in Cleveland. It is further noted that Cleveland has no information indicating that there is a branch of the SCLC located in this city.

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In view of the above, no further investigation is contemplated in this matter. Inasmuch as the above mentioned Cleveland airtel of March 24, 1965 under KING's caption enclosed a letterhead memorandum setting forth available information concerning his visit to Cleveland, a letterhead memorandum is not being submitted with instant communication.

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FBI

Date: 3/30/65

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Re Atlanta airtel and letterhead memorandum to Bureau dated 1/22/65 and Chicago airtel and letterhead memorandum to Bureau dated 2/21/65.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine (9) copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination enclosed also for the Atlanta Division are four (4) copies of a letterhead memorandum.

The identities of sources utilized in the enclosed letterhead memorandum are as follows:

Confidential source one is [redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] 3/18/65.

Confidential source two is [redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] on 3/8/65.

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The Chicago Division files were reviewed on 3/10/65 and contained no information identifiable with the Northern Christian Leadership Conference (NCLC). The Chicago Division files also failed to contain any information identifiable with JESSIE JACKSON, Chicago School of Divinity, Chicago, Illinois.

The following confidential informants of the Chicago Division, who are acquainted with some aspects of the racial situation in the Chicago area, were contacted on dates indicated below and advised orally that they have no information to indicate that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is attempting to establish a branch to be known as the NCLC. These sources further advised that JESSIE JACKSON was unknown to them.

Source	Date Contacted	Contacting Agent
[redacted]	[redacted]	SA [redacted]

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The Chicago Division files contained numerous references identical with Reverend JOHN R. PORTER, 6409 South Sangamon Street, Chicago, Illinois; however, Reverend PORTER is not actively investigated by the Chicago Division since no derogatory information is noted in the files.

The enclosed letterhead memorandum has been classified Secret because information previously furnished by the Atlanta Division was obtained from a highly sensitive source with respect to the racial situation in the Atlanta area. It is felt this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable position of this informant.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

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LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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On March 18, 1965, confidential source one advised a Special Agent of the Chicago Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that her records failed to reflect that Jessie Jackson was a member of the faculty or student body of the University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois. This source further advised she had determined through inquiry at the Chicago School of Divinity, Swift Hall, 1023-35 East 58th Street, Chicago, Illinois, a part of the University of Chicago, that Jessie Jackson was not a member of the faculty or student body at that school.

On March 8, 1965, confidential source two advised a Special Agent of the FBI that he had no information to the effect that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is attempting to establish a branch office in the Chicago area to be known as the Northern Christian Leadership Conference (NCLC). This source advised that the SCLC presently maintains a branch office in Chicago, Illinois. He stated that Reverend John R. Porter, 6409 South Sangamon, Chicago, Illinois, who is Pastor of Christ Methodist Church located at the same address, is the leader of this organization in the Chicago area and uses the church address as an office in connection with SCLC correspondence. This source further advised that Jessie Jackson, Chicago School of Divinity, Chicago, Illinois, was unknown to him.

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

On March 23, 1965, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, advised he had no information that the SCLC intends to establish a branch office to be known as the NCLC. [redacted] advised the Engelwood Chapter of the SCLC is currently maintained in Chicago and is under the leadership of the Reverend John R. Porter, Pastor of Christ Methodist Church, 6409 South Sangamon, Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] further advised that Jessie Jackson is unknown to him.

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[redacted] furnished the following descriptive information regarding Reverend Porter:

Name	Reverend John R. Porter
Sex	Male
Race	Negro
Residence	6409 South Sangamon Street, Chicago, Ill.
Place of Birth	Arkansas
Height	5'9"
Weight	195 pounds
Complexion	Dark brown
Occupation	Pastor, Christ Methodist Church, Chicago, Illinois
Education	Iowa Wesleyan College, Mount Pleasant, Iowa; Garrett Theological Seminary of Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois
Marital Status	Married
Wife	Jane Carroll Porter
Characteristics	Wears mustache

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Chicago, Illinois
March 30, 1965

Title: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF - THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

References: Memorandum dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Martin
1 - Mr. Phillips

To: SACs, Atlanta
Baltimore
New York

From: Director, FBI

CIRM
Bufile: 100-442529
Atfile: 100-6670
BAfile: 100-23443
NYfile: 100-153735

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Bufile: 100-438794
Atfile: 100-5718

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ReATrad to Bureau, Baltimore, Detroit and New York 3/29/65, "Martin Luther King, Jr., SM - C," and ATtel to Bureau, Baltimore and New York 3/29/65, "Cominfil SCLC, IS - C." (U)

In connection with plans of King to be in New York City 3/30-31/65 and activities of SCLC Board in Baltimore (banquet 8 p.m., 3/31/65 and meeting 4/1-3/65), following instructions should be carried out. This confirms telephonic advice given New York Office 3/30/65. (U)

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[redacted] (S)

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Airtel to AT, BA and NY
Re: CIRM
COMINFIL SCLC
100-442529
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Security is paramount. All investigation must necessarily be most discreet and no actions taken which could cause embarrassment to Bureau or alert individuals involved as to Bureau interest.

Atlanta should be alert through established sources to information which would be helpful to New York and Baltimore and transmit same promptly upon receipt.

All recipient offices must keep Bureau promptly advised of all pertinent developments and expedite submission of letterhead memoranda containing information suitable for dissemination.

Baltimore should be alert to possibility of developing information through news media sources as the SCLC activities will likely be publicized to some extent.

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NOTE:

Telephonic advice to New York Office was given by Supervisor C. D. Brennan of the Bureau to SAC, Roney, of the New York Office 10:40 a.m., 3/30/65.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-[illegible]) March 20, 1965

SAC, LOUISVILLE (100-4722) (P)

CIRM

Reference Atlanta airtel, dated February 10, 1965, with respect to a Mrs. BRADEN, Atlanta, Georgia, having been in contact with EDWINA SMITH of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Atlanta, Georgia, on February 9, 1965.

From information available at Louisville, no definite statement can be made as to whether the above Mrs. BRADEN may or may not be identical with ANNE BRADEN, SI subject of the Louisville Office, as it is known ANNE BRADEN was still maintaining her residence at Louisville, Kentucky, as of March 20, 1965, but she does do considerable traveling in connection with her position of Field Secretary for the Southern Christian Educational Fund, Inc. As Atlanta files will indicate, ANNE BRADEN has in the past been in contact with the SCLC.

[redacted] (b)(7)(D)

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3 - Bureau (100-[illegible]) (100-[illegible]) (SCLC)
3 - Atlanta (100-[illegible]) (157-566) (Edwina Smith) (100-[illegible]) (SCLC)
3 - Louisville (100-4722) (100-[illegible]) (CARL BRADEN) (100-[illegible]) (ANNE BRADEN)

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If information available to Atlanta resolves the question of the identity of the M. S. BRANCH and its [illegible] with EDWIN SMITH, [illegible] Fe[illegible] [illegible] file [illegible] to S. [illegible].

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☐ AIRGRAM ☐ CABLEGRAM ☐ RADIO ☒ TELETYPE

10:59 PM EST URGENT 3-31-65 WMB

TO DIRECTOR (100-442529 AND 100-438794) AND ATLANTA (100-6670 AND 100-5718)

FROM BALTIMORE (157-833) 312335

CIRM; COMINFIL SCLC, IS-C.

RE ATLANTA RADIOGRAM MARCH 30 AND BUREAU AIRTEL MARCH 30.

MARTIN LUTHER KING ARRIVED FRIENDSHIP INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT APPROXIMATELY 2:20 P.M. FROM NYC. MOTORCADE TO LORD BALTIMORE HOTEL, BALTIMORE ARRIVED 2:50 P.M. PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED SCHEDULE CALLS FOR BANQUET AT LORD BALTIMORE HOTEL THIS EVENING AT 8 P.M. BA CITY PD AFFORDING KING MAXIMUM SECURITY COVERAGE.

BALTIMORE WILL FOLLOW.

RECEIVED: 11:09 PM MLT

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

Unrecorded serial dated 3-31-65 pulled from this file under court order of U.S. District Judge John Lewis Smith, Jr., and sent to National Archives.

RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE H. KELLEY, ET AL.
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529) DATE: 3/31/65

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670)

SUBJECT: CRIM

Re Atlanta airtel dated 2/10/65 concerning a Mrs. BRADEN, who was in contact with SCLC employees.

The following Atlanta, Georgia, sources were contacted on 3/31/65 and had no knowledge of a Mrs. BRADEN who teaches in Atlanta, Georgia.

[redacted] (b)(2)(b)

The above sources had no information regarding a teacher or professor by the name of BRADEN.

A check of school catalogues at Morehouse College, Morris Brown College, Atlanta University, Clark College, Spelman College, Georgia Tech, Emory University and Agnes Scott was negative.

Records of the Board of Education, Atlanta, Ga., checked on 3/22/65 disclosed no teacher on payroll with the name of BRADEN.

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No further action Atlanta UACB.

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2- Bureau (RM)
1- Louisville (RM)
5- Atlanta (1-100-6670)
(1-100-6562) (C. T. Vivian)
(1-100-6255) (Harry C. Steinmetz)
(1-157-566) (Edwina Smith)
(1-100-5710) (SCLC)

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Ltr to AT in 100-438794 re Louisville 4/14/65

Date: April 1, 1965

Via Airtel REGISTERED MAIL
(Priority)

To: DIRECTOR, FBI

From SAC, BALTIMORE

Subject: CIRM
(BUFILE 100-442529)
(ATLANTA FILE 100-6670)
(BAFILE 100-23443)

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(BUFILE 100-438794)
(ATLANTA FILE 100-5718)
(BAFILE 100-23450)

Re BA tel to Director and Atlanta dated March 31, 1965, captioned as above.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 14 copies of LHM captioned. "COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS; COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE; INTERNAL SECURITY - C." Five copies of LHM are also enclosed for Atlanta.

(REGISTERED MAIL)
7 - Bureau (1 - 100-106670 - MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.) (Encs. 14)
5 - Atlanta (1 - 100-5566 - MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.) (Encs.5)(RM AIR MAIL)
3 - Baltimore (1 - 157-833 - MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

408 Post Office Building
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

April 1, 1965

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS;

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

[redacted] advised that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. arrived at Friendship International Airport by plane from New York City at approximately 2:20 p.m. on March 31, 1965. [redacted] he came to the Lord Baltimore Hotel and was observed arriving there at 2:50 p.m. [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

"The Sun," a Baltimore daily newspaper, on April 1, 1965, reported that the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. was honored at a dinner held at the Lord Baltimore Hotel at 8:00 p.m. on March 31, 1965, which was attended by approximately 950 people. "The Sun" reported that Dr. King had stated that a decision on his plan for an economic boycott of Alabama would come out of the two-day session of the Executive Board of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference that begins April 1, 1965, at Baltimore, Maryland. He said plans would be made for the next six months for this organization. He also said that something forceful must be done to prod the people of Alabama into stopping the racial policies of Governor George C. Wallace.

The newspaper reported that during the long program of tributes at the affair, Dr. King was made an honorary citizen

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of Baltimore by Mayor THEODORE R. McKELDIN and an honorary citizen of the State of Maryland by an Aide of Governor MILLARD TAWES.

"The Sun" newspaper also reported that the dinner was picketed by two members of a group called "Confederates for Free Segregation," and they carried signs reading, "God, Wallace, U.S.A. - Big Three for Segregation - Down with King," and "There's no Police Brutality in Baltimore - Three Cheers for Bernie Schmidt and our Police Force."

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FBI NEW YORK

1135PM URGENT -1-65

TO DIRECTOR -1- AND BALTIMORE

BALTIMORE VIA WASHINGTON - ENCODED

FROM NEW YORK

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED REGARDING SUBJECT(S) OF Classification DATE 2-10-75 Effective Amended 2/6/75 by

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COINTELPRO, SCLC, IS-C

BUFILE /100-442509/ /100-438794/, NY FILE /100-153735/ /100-149194/.

(b)(2) (b)(6)(a)

ON MARCH THIRTY ONE, SIXTY FIVE, [redacted] ADVISED BAYARD RUSTIN /ORGANIZER OF MARCH ON WASHINGTON/ IN CONTACT WITH TOMMY SMITH /A CONFIDANT OF RUSTIN/ ON THAT DATE. RUSTIN ADVISED HE WOULD BE IN BALTIMORE ON APRIL ONE - TWO, SIXTY FIVE, TO ATTEND MEETING OF ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF SCLC. RUSTIN SAID HE WAS TRYING TO "BAIL OUT KING ON THAT STUPID BOYCOTT THING", ALLUDING TO KING-S APPEAL FOR A BOYCOTT OF ALABAMA/ AND SAID ONE OF KING-S AIDES HAD URGED THE BOYCOTT WITHOUT CONFERRING WITH KING. ACCORDING TO RUSTIN, THE BOYCOTT ISSUE WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE BOARD MEETING, AND AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON FRIDAY, KING WILL ANNOUNCE THAT HE PLANS TO ASK A BOYCOTT OF A COUPLE OF PRODUCTS, BUT WILL NOT URGE A COMPLETE BOYCOTT. [redacted]

LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM FOLLOWS.

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AIRTEL URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)

SUBJECT: CIRM
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Reference Bureau airtel to Atlanta, Baltimore, and New York, 3/30/65.

Enclosed herewith for Baltimore are two photographs which contain shots of CLARENCE JONES, STANLEY LEVISON, and HUNTER PITTS ODELL. For the information of Baltimore, CLARENCE JONES is an Attorney who represents MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

NY will remain alert for any information which would indicate that individuals such as JONES, LEVISON, and ODELL plan to participate in the SCLC function in Baltimore, Maryland, starting on 4/1/65.

4-Bureau (RM)
1-(100-438794)
2-Baltimore (100-21448) (Encls. 2) (RM)
1-(100) (Cominfil SCLC)
1-New York (100-149194)(.41)
1-New York (.42)

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AIRTEL [redacted]

DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-933)

RE: SOUTHERN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION FOR POLITICAL EDUCATION (SCOPE)
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Atlanta airtel dated 4/14/65.

It is noted in the last paragraph on page 2 of referenced airtel, it is indicated a letterhead memorandum was submitted with referenced airtel. This was in error and all offices should delete that paragraph.

An appropriate letterhead memorandum will be submitted upon receipt of requested information from offices to which referenced airtel was directed.

4 - Bureau (3- 157-SCOPE) (RM)
(1 - 100-438794) (SCLC)
2 - New York (1- 157-SCOPE) (RM)
(1- 100-148194) (SCLC)
2 - Boston (157-SCOPE) (RM)
4 - Atlanta (1- 157-933) (RM)
(1- 100-5718) (SCLC)
(1- 100-5637CA)
(1- 157-934) (Mark Harrington)

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Special Agent in Charge

RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL
(U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL. (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1156

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[illegible]:35 PM EST URGENT 4-1-65 WMB

TO DIRECTOR

FROM BALTIMORE 012272

CLEAR: COMINFIL SCLC, IS-C.

RE BALTIMORE TEL MARCH 31.

MARTIN LUTHER KING OBSERVED AT LORD BALTIMORE HOTEL THIS A. M. POLICE SOURCES ADVISED THAT KING HAD BREAKFAST AT THE SHERATON-BELVEDERE HOTEL AND RETURNED TO LORD BALTIMORE HOTEL ABOUT 10:00 A. M. FOR SCLC BOARD MEETING: A MASS MEETING AT THE CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH, BA, 7:30 P. M. THIS EVENING.

BETWEEN 1:00 P. M. AND 2:15 P. M. APPROXIMATELY 100 NEGROES DRESSED IN BURLAP OVER USUAL CLOTHING PICKETED THE LORD BALTIMORE HOTEL. THEY WERE LED BY ELDER L. [illegible]CHAUX, [illegible]CO. AND WERE PROTESTING THE ECONOMIC BOYCOTT OF ALABAMA BEING CONSIDERED BY THE SCLC EXECUTIVE BOARD.

BALTIMORE CITY PD AFFORDING KING MAXIMUM SECURITY COVERAGE. LHM FOLLOWS.

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6:24 PM EST URGENT 4-2-65 WMB

TO DIRECTOR (100-442529) (100-438794) NEW YORK (100-153735)
ATLANTA (100-6670) (100-518)

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON-ENCODED

FROM BALTIMORE (157-833) 021745

CIRM; COMINFIL SCLC, IS-C.

RE BALTIMORE TEL APRIL 1, AND BA PHONE CALLS BUREAU AND NEW YORK TODAY.

MARTIN LUTHER KING HELD PRESS CONFERENCE AT NOON TODAY AND ELABORATED ON PROPOSED ALABAMA BOYCOTT. HE SPOKE AT COPPIN STATE COLLEGE, BA, 2:30 P.M. WENT TO FRIENDSHIP INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND DEPARTED ON EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT 64 AT 4:00 P.M. NONSTOP TO KENNEDY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, NYC, TO APRIVE 5:06 P.M.

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SAC, Atlanta (100-5718) 4/9/65

Director, FBI (100-438794) 1 - Mr. Martin

COUNCIL OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

RoLSlet dated 3/30/65 and Atlanta letter dated 3/31/65 captioned "Cirm."

Relets pertain to efforts to identify Mrs. Braden, who was in contact with Edwina Smith on 2/9/65. At that time, Braden advised that she and Dr. Steinmetz, along with C.T. Vivian are writing a short pamphlet.

Atlanta should alert sources in a position to identify this pamphlet in order to resolve the matter of Braden's identity. Louisville should be alert for any information which might verify that Ann Braden participated in preparing this pamphlet.

Submit a letterhead memorandum under above caption when positive information is available.

2 - Louisville

NOTE:

The above information pertaining to Braden's contact was furnished by a highly confidential source. Although it is likely that Ann Braden, former Communist Party member and key figure in racial activities, is the individual in contact with Smith efforts to verify this by Louisville Office, which covers her residence, have been unsuccessful.

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MAIL ROOM ☑ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 4/8/65

FROM : SAC, Miami (157-489)(P)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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(OO: Atlanta)

Remyairtel 2/25/65.

Informants and sources on racial matters have reported no information concerning the SCLC Summer Project or SCOPE in Florida.

Referenced airtel reflected MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. had been invited by the Congress of Racial Equality to make a public address in Miami on March 14, 1965. National press releases reflected KING was in Selma-Montgomery, Alabama area at that time. No later information was received on any public speeches in Florida on behalf of CORE.

Any information received concerning the Summer Project of the SCLC will be furnished promptly.

2 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Atlanta (100-5718)(RM)
2 - Miami
1 - 100-15079 (King)

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Date: April 5, 1965

Via AIRTEL REGISTERED MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE

SUBJECT: CIRM
(BUFILE 100-442529)
(ATLANTA FILE 100-6670)
(BAFILE 100-23443)

COMINFIL SCLC
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(BUFILE 100-438794)
(ATLANTA FILE 100-5718)
(BAFILE 100-23450)

Re Baltimore teletype to Bureau and Atlanta dated April 2, 1965, captioned as above.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 14 copies of LHM captioned, "COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS; COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE; INTERNAL SECURITY - C". Five copies of LHM are also enclosed for Atlanta.

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Baltimore, Maryland

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

April 5, 1965

BOYCOTT OF ALABAMA BY THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE PROTESTING VOTER DISCRIMINATION
RACIAL MATTERS

On April 2, 1965, the Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. held a press conference at noon at the Lord Baltimore Hotel.

The Sun, a Baltimore daily newspaper, on April 3, 1965, reported that the Reverend KING had declared an immediate economic boycott of Alabama with a timetable of intensifying stages designed to bring the state to terms on the issue of civil rights.

Major industries now planning to locate or expand in Alabama were asked to suspend these plans immediately and the Federal Government was urged to enforce vigorously the section of the 1964 Civil Rights Act which prohibits racial discrimination in programs supported by Federal finances.

The second stage calls for action from community leaders as well as the Federal Government. He said that men of good will in churches, labor unions and private institutions would be asked to withdraw investments or pension funds from placements which might be used to support racism and brutality in Alabama and the United States Treasury would be asked to withdraw tax debts from deposits in Alabama banks.

The third stage would be to call on the nation to boycott specific consumer products which would be "carefully selected". Dr. KING listed five responses he expected in Alabama as evidence of a change in racial attitude. They were:

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RE: BOYCOTT OF ALABAMA BY THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE PROTESTING VOTER DISCRIMINATION
RACIAL MATTERS

1. An end of the poll tax in state elections.

2. Voter registration at times convenient to working people.

3. The appointment of Negroes to policy making positions on state boards and in state agencies.

4. An end to police brutality and equal police protection to all citizens.

5. Denunciation by officials and civic leaders of violence and the use of racist ideas in political statements.

Dr. KING also stated at his press conference that besides the boycott now underway, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) agreed to several other courses of action. They are:

1. A massive and intensive voter registration drive in 120 black belt counties in seven southern states to be undertaken by 2,000 college student volunteers this summer.

2. An expansion of SCLC work into several northern cities this summer. Targets will be discrimination in employment, housing, de facto school segregation and problems of poverty.

3. A tour of many northern cities by Dr. KING before summer "to inject non violence into the veins of them" in an effort to forestall violent racial disturbances.

4. Recommendations for changes in the proposed voting bill to expand its area of jurisdiction into all states, to eliminate poll taxes in state elections and to provide protection to voters from harassment and intimidation.

RE: BOYCOTT OF ALABAMA BY THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE PROTESTING VOTER DISCRIMINATION
RACIAL MATTERS

Dr. KING spoke at Coppin State College, Baltimore, Maryland, on April 2, 1965, and from there went directly to Friendship International Airport.

[redacted] (b)(7)(b)

[redacted] advised on April 2, 1965, that Dr. KING boarded Eastern Airlines Flight 64 at 4:00 P.M., April 2, 1965, and that that plane was flying non stop to Kennedy International Airport, New York City, where it was scheduled to arrive at 5:06 P.M.

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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Date: April 5, 1965

Via AIRTEL REGISTERED MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE

SUBJECT: CIRM
(BUFILE 100-442529)
(ATLANTA FILE 100-6670)
(BAFILE 100-23443)

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(BUFILE 100-438794)
(ATLANTA FILE 100-5718)
(BAFILE 100-23450)

Re Baltimore teletype to Bureau and Atlanta dated 4/1/65, captioned as above.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 14 copies of LHM captioned, "COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS; COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE; INTERNAL SECURITY - C". Five copies of LHM are also enclosed for Atlanta.

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Baltimore, Maryland

April 5, 1965

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS;

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On April 1, 1965, [redacted] advised that on the morning of April 1, 1965, Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. left the Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, Maryland, and went to the Sheraton Belvedere Hotel, Baltimore, Maryland, where he had breakfast. About 10:00 A.M. Dr. KING returned to the Lord Baltimore Hotel where he attended a Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) Board Meeting.

[redacted] advised that between 1:00 P.M. and 2:15 P.M. on April 1, 1965, approximately 100 to 125 Negroes dressed in burlap over their usual clothing and wearing burlap on their heads picketed the Lord Baltimore Hotel carrying signs which read, "Russian Termites - God Save America". This group was led by Elder LIGHTFOOT SOLOMON MICHAUX of Washington, D. C. (b)(6)

The News-American, a Baltimore, Maryland daily newspaper, on April 1, 1965, contained a story concerning this picketing which reflected that the demonstrators were followers of Elder LIGHTFOOT SOLOMON MICHAUX, President of the Gospel Spreading Association and head of seven Churches of God in Washington, D. C. The News-American reported that Elder MICHAUX said that he was demonstrating against the Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. because Dr. KING has failed to show a true spirit of humility. He said that the proposed economic boycott of Alabama is not going to do any good and it will kill the civil rights movement.

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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The News-American reported that Elder MICHAUX was asked if the signs reading, "Russian Termites" implied that communists had infiltrated the civil rights movement and that Elder MICHAUX had replied, "No, but the movement might provide an avenue toward communism".

On the evening of April 1, 1965, Dr. KING attended a mass meeting held at the Cornerstone Baptist Church in the 1600 block of Bolton Street, Baltimore, Maryland. There were no incidents and no demonstrations in connection with this meeting.

On a news program in the late evening of April 1, 1965, the Reverend KING's wife appeared live and was questioned by news commentators. Some of the questioning dealt with measures that are usually taken for her protection and for the protection of Dr. KING and she advised that the measures taken for the protection of Dr. KING and herself during their visit to Baltimore are greater than have ever been taken anywhere else.

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April 7, 1965

AIRTEL AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (100-1472)(P)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
SECURITY MATTER - C
(BUfile 100-106670)
(ATfile 100-5586)

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
RACIAL MATTERS
(BUfile 157-SCLC)
(ATfile 157-825)

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and Atlanta are indicated copies of letterhead memorandum dated 4/7/64, captioned, "PROPOSED SPEECH IN MOBILE, ALABAMA, IN MAY, 1965 BY MARTIN LUTHER KING, PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, ATLANTA, GEORGIA," copies of which are disseminated locally to intelligence agencies. (b)(7)(D)

Enclosed memorandum sets forth that [redacted], advised that MARTIN LUTHER KING would come to Mobile, Ala., during the first part of May, 1965, would stay overnight, and then leave. He said he felt sure that if KING was not allowed to come into Mobile to make this speech, then the entire group of SCLC staff workers would move into Mobile for demonstrations and related activity. He said; however, that he felt certain there would be no problem with the

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local city administration in connection with KING's visit to Mobile, [redacted] noting that he and the other local Negro leaders are not in favor of any demonstrations or disturbances in the Mobile area.

It is noted that the letterhead memorandum also includes information that a rumor had been circulated in Mobile that the SCLC would hold a demonstration in Mobile April 15, 1965, but [redacted] said this is not ture and that the report was started by one EDWIN MOORER.

[redacted] said that he would notify Mobile when the plans for KING's appearances in Mobile are finalized.

Atlanta at Atlanta, Ga., will advise Mobile of any information received of KING's expected visit to Mobile.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
April 7, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

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AT MOBILE, ALABAMA:

On April 7, 1965, [redacted] advised that it had been rumored in Mobile that there would be a voter registration demonstration in Mobile on Thursday, April 15, 1965. He said that it had been reported that Reverend J. E. Lowery, a representative of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Birmingham, Alabama, and a former resident of Mobile, would come to Mobile to lead the demonstration which demonstration would be an SCLC affair. He said that a local Negro, Edwin Moorer, had been claiming to be connected with the SCLC and was probably the one who was making plans for the demonstration. (b)(7)(D)

On April 7, 1965, [redacted] advised that no demonstration of any kind is planned for Mobile. [redacted] said that Edwin Moorer is a local Negro, but has no connection whatever with SCLC, although he has been collecting money throughout the Mobile area and reportedly has been claiming he is working with SCLC. [redacted] stated that during the night of April 6-7, 1965, he had received a call from C. T. Vivian of SCLC Headquarters, Atlanta, Georgia, saying that word of Moorer's activity had gotten back to SCLC Headquarters.

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Vivian instructed [redacted] to disavow Edwin Moorer publicly and to announce that Moorer has no connection whatever with SCLC. [redacted] will notify Moorer that if he persists in claiming connections with the SCLC and collecting money or performing other activities under the name of the SCLC the organization will attempt to prosecute Moorer criminally.

[redacted] said that he had heard the rumor about an [redacted] voter demonstration for Mobile Thursday, April 15, 1965, but that this rumor was the work of Edwin Moorer and there is no truth whatever in the rumor and there is no demonstration planned for that date or anytime insofar as he is currently aware.

[redacted] said that he had received notice, however, that Reverend Martin Luther King would come to Mobile, Alabama, to make a speech sometime during the first part of May, 1965. He said that he does not know the date King is to come to Mobile, but said that he would furnish this information when received by him. He said that it is tentatively planned that King will speak in Mobile, stay overnight, and leave the next morning. [redacted] said that he does not feel there will be any problem in connection with King's appearance in Mobile and it is expected that King will make his usual public speech concerning voter registration and related matters. [redacted] said that if King was not allowed to come into Mobile and make his speech without interference, that the entire staff of SCLC workers would come into Mobile for demonstrations, which [redacted] is not in favor of. He said he feels certain there will be no problem; however, in connection with King's appearance for a speech as the city administration and police agencies of Mobile would not try to interfere with King's visit, but would be interested only in maintaining order.

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SAC, Albany

Director, FBI

SUMMER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION
AND POLITICAL EDUCATION
(SCOPE) PROGRAM
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Martin

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3. An appeal for teachers, physicians, nurses and skilled workers to assist in this summer project since it involves political education and community organization. SCOPE will also assist the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) in its efforts to unseat the recently elected Mississippi Congressmen.

King also announced that this summer project of the SCLC is expected to cost $480,000. He hopes to raise this amount through appeals to trade unions, religious organizations, foundations and "people of good will." He concluded with the statement that SCOPE is designed much like the Mississippi Summer Project of last year but is on a greater scale.

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Letter to SAC, Atlanta
Re: SUMMER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION
AND POLITICAL EDUCATION
(SCOPE) PROGRAM

In order to cope with the problem of identifying subversives who will be attracted to this type of racial activity all offices are instructed to open a separate file captioned as above. In addition, the following actions should be taken promptly:

1. Direct security informants and sources to determine the identity of subversives who indicate an interest in or who actually participate in this project.

2. Review field office files in regard to individuals participating in this project for the purpose of screening out the subversives.

3. Follow the activities of these individuals by directing leads to offices covering the racial activity.

4. Submit letterhead memoranda identifying subversive participants and describing the type of activity engaged in for dissemination by the Bureau. Dissemination should not be made locally. The initial paragraphs of letterhead memorandum submitted in this case should contain a description of the individual's participation in the SCOPE Program. Subversive characterizations of individuals should be succinct and up to date.

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All offices are cautioned to conduct no inquiry which might give the impression that the FBI is investigating the legitimate activities of the SCLC. This investigation must be limited to contact with informants and established sources. Review of credit and criminal records may be made when additional background information is required in connection with file reviews.

The attention of all offices is directed to previous investigations conducted of organizations which utilized the initials SCOPE. The Student Committee on Political Education (SCOPE), Internal Security - C, Bufile 100-433779, San Francisco, office of origin, is in a closed status. The Student Committee on Progressive Education (SCOPE), Internal Security - C, Bufile 100-42801, New York, office of origin, is presently under investigation. This is being brought to your attention for possible assistance in the administrative handling of correspondence in this case.

NOTE:

See memorandum F.J. Baumgardner to Mr. Sullivan, same caption, dated 4/8/65, prepared by JFH:lmm.

Mr. Sullivan

4/8/65

F. J. Baumgardner

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Enclosure

Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
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ACTION:

Attached is a yellow copy of a letter to Albany, copies to all offices, the original of which is on Plastiplate, to be approved and returned to J.F. Martin, Room 808, Riddell Building, for preparation and mailing.

FBI

DATE 4/7/65

Transmit the following in PLAIN

VIA AIRTEL SECRET

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529) (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735) (100-149194)

SUBJECT: CIRM
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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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RaNY teletype of 4/1/65, concerning BAYARD RUSTIN's remarks about MARTIN LUTHER KING and his plans to call for a boycott of Alabama.

Enclosed are 7 copies of an LHM, dated and captioned as above; 3 copies are furnished the Atlanta Office and 2 copies to the Baltimore Office.

The source of the information in the LHM was [redacted] b2 b7D

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(1- 100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
3-Atlanta (100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (Encls. 3) (RM)
(1- 100-6670) (CIRM)
(1- 100-5718) (SCLC)
2-Baltimore (100-) (CIRM) (Encls. 2) (RM)
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(1- 100-46729) (BAYARD RUSTIN) (42)
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A search in the files of the NYO did not contain subversive information identifiable with THOMAS or TONY SMITH. (U)

This LHM is classified "Secret" because it contains information of a highly sensitive nature with respect to the racial situation in the NY area and the Communist influence thereof. The source of the information was [redacted] and in order not to jeopardize the source, the "Secret" classification is used. (U)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

April 2, 1965

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Bufile 100-442529
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Re: Communist Influence In
Racial Matters
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Communist Infiltration of
The Southern Christian
Leadership Conference
Internal Security - C

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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DIVISIONS INVOLVING
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DATE 6-10-80

On March 31, 1965, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Bayard Rustin (organizer of the March on Washington, August 1963 and advisor to Martin Luther King, the President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)) was in contact with Tommy Smith (a personal friend and confidant of Rustin) on that date. Rustin told Smith that he would be in Baltimore, Maryland, on April 1 and 2, 1965, to attend a meeting of the Administrative Board of the SCLC. (U)

Rustin told Smith that he was "trying to bail out King on that stupid boycott thing" (alluding to an appeal by King that Alabama be boycotted because of what King called "a total breakdown of law and order and a reign of terror".) In that regard, Rustin said, that one of his (King's) aides "who doesn't have much sense put this on the wires and sent telegrams all over the country without notifying King". It was at that time, according to Rustin, that King asked him what he should do. According to Rustin, he told King to say that the boycott matter was being discussed and that it would be decided during the Administrative Board meeting whether to go through with the boycott. (U)

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Rustin told Smith that a press conference would be held by King at noon on Friday (April 2, 1965) during which King would announce plans to call for a boycott of a couple of products in Alabama. King would not ask for a complete boycott, Rustin concluded. (X)

Communist Influence In Racial Matters

In "The Saturday Evening Post", issue of July 11-18, 1964, page 76, Bayard Rustin is the subject of a feature article captioned: "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights". In it, Rustin is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party". Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, Rustin gave most of his earnings to the "Party". He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, page 1 column 2, reported that Bayard Rustin, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), held in New York City, on February 9-12, 1957.

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/15/65

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT : COMINFIL SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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(OO:NEW YORK)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New York, New York
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Cominfil Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Stanley Levison

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Clarence Jones is the General Counsel to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York, New York.

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Cominfil Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Stanley Levison

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Ralph Abernathy is the Treasurer of the SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia.

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New York, New York

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(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL. (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6488) (P)

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) BY DCS DATE 6-10-80

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No action should be taken which would alert ROBINSON or SNCC or SCLC to the Bureau's interest in this matter.

The enclosed Letterhead Memorandum has been classified SECRET because it contains information from a highly sensitive source with respect to the Racial Situation in the Atlanta area; and it is felt this classification is necessary in order to not jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

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ENCLOSURE

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE
(SNCC)

CAROL HOOVER

A news item in "The Atlanta Daily World" (an Atlanta, Georgia, daily Negro newspaper) dated May 21, 1965, titled "Albany 'Justice' Assailed," datelined Hapeville, Georgia, sets forth information regarding a semi-annual board meeting of the Southern Conference Educational Fund (SCEF) held in Hapeville during the previous weekend. The article reports that Miss CAROL HOOVER, Atlanta, Georgia, an administrative assistant at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) was one of four new members added to the board of SCEF at this meeting.

A Characterization of the SCEF is attached hereto.

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"The Southern Patriot" was cited as an "organ" of the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE (SCHW) by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, on the SCHW, June 12, 1947.

The SCHW was cited as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 16, 1947.

An amendment to the charter of the SCHW changed the name of that organization to the SCEF, and listed its purpose as being to improve the educational and cultural standards of the Southern people in accordance with the highest American democratic institutions, traditions, and ideals. The amendment was dated April 26, 1946.

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in the past he has considered JAMES DUMBROWSKI, the Executive Director of the SCEF, to be a communist, if not an actual Communist Party member, because he followed communist principles.

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Atlanta, Georgia
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Title	COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE (SNCC)
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - C
Reference	Letterhead Memorandum dated and captioned as above at Atlanta, Georgia.

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April 6, 1965

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Enclosed is a copy of letter of protest I have written to the organization apparently supporting Martin Luther King. I have no way of knowing that such is actually the case, but it is obvious that the policies advocated by the organization are neither Christian nor are they based on American principles.

This may result in trouble for me and my family as my young son was threatened that he would be murdered if I continued to protest such activities as this. However, I know of no way that I can teach my children the truth when they are taught falsehoods in school, in newspapers, over television and radio and through so many places it is becoming a nightmare. Even showing them that what they are being taught is neither Christian nor American does not seem to be enough to convince them that both the school teachings and the home teachings could be false.

It does no good to send this sort of thing to Congress or to legislative bodies around here. They won't even read what the scripture and the Constitutional principles say. As a matter of fact, even after I had cut the 10 pages of teachings from the Bible that my 8th grade son was taught in school and many churches are listening to the same, we are slaving here for few people who will subscribe to our preferences for choice than themselves. They would rather [illegible] the poor and poverty and sickness and madness we are [illegible] such practices that make the efforts to correct this [illegible] false hope.

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This s[illegible] was mailed to my office and delivered to my home. One of them asked me about it.

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ENCLOSURE

CORRESPONDENCE

[redacted]

April 8, 1965

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Associated Press
Tribune Building
Salt Lake City, Utah

Gentlemen:

How proud newspapermen must be to foster this sort of rebellion among children in this country. It must really give them great satisfaction to know that at any time during the last forty or fifty years they could have prevented all the wars and hate campaigns throughout the world if they had been willing to write the truth. It must really make them feel like heros to know that poverty could have been stamped out if they had been willing to learn the truth and print it, but that would have meant freedom and happiness and jobs for all and newspapermen don't care about fair play and honesty and decency; the only thing they'll chase after is something that will cause trouble and hurt.

To foster organizations that solicit funds for the teaching of rebellion is just about as low as men can get as far as I'm concerned. At any time during the last 35 years that I know of any newspaperman could have gotten all the material needed to show where crime and juvenile delinquency were stemming from, but none of them has been willing to look even when the material and results of investigations were laid out on newspaper sheets for them.

How many years have they been taught that our government was patterned after Plato's Republic? How many of them ever bothered to find out that those who drew the Constitution said it was taken from the Bible? How many of them ever bothered to read what Plato said and learn that Plato's republic was a design for eliminating one group after another from any chance at life and happiness until only a few had all the advantages and the rest were slaves for those few? How many ever bothered to compare socialism and Platonism to see that the two were one and the same? Where is honesty? Where is integrity in that sort of blindness?

As for indifference among citizens, most of us long since learned because a majority must learn the truth in order to correct wrongs and the truth will not be considered by news media, we just waste our time and efforts to attempt to get a hearing for the truth in the United States these days.

Sincerely,

100-438794-298

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April 8, 1965

Southern Christian Leadership Conference
332 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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Gentlemen:

For you to solicit aid for your non-Christian activities in connection with Civil Rights is a sacrilege. There is nothing Christian nor is there anything American about your activities. Just because both American teachings and Christian teachings have been twisted by Communist philosophers to sound appealing to ignorant people neither makes them honest nor right. For President Johnson to make such a declaration as you assert he made would merely show that he has no concern with the welfare of the people of the United States.

Obviously you have not taken your so-called Christian teachings from the Bible because we are told at least three times that there is only one lawgiver and one Judge, and the Lord is that lawgiver and that judge. We are told innumerable times that nations have wars and slavery when men make statutes and ordinances. Ezekiel quite clearly explains that and David in the Psalms tells us that the counsels of nations will come to naught because they create misery and war for mankind. Obviously, then your teachings are not from the Bible.

Quite a number of times in the New Testament we are told to mark the man who stirs up strife because he is not concerned with the welfare of the people he is stirring up but is concerned with getting power for himself and his sinful ambitions. Also in Isaiah we are told "if anyone stirs up strife it is not from me." So it is apparent that your teachings and activities are not coming from Christian teachings.

Now, let's examine American teachings. The six documents that preceded the Constitution in the formation of the United States all protected laws of man as the means by which nations became slaves and the arguments in the Constitutional Convention from page 397 to p. 507 all state that the Constitution was designed to limit the powers of the legislature. In addition to that The Federalist Papers so state, Jefferson's Notes on Virginia quite clearly show that that was his belief and all the writings of those who represented the colonies in the Constitutional Convention clearly state that. Obviously then, what you are doing is not based on American principles nor Christian teachings so you are soliciting funds under false principles.

In addition to that, the money that you have spent to solicit funds and stir up school children to rebellion could have been used to repeal the laws that have caused the trouble and the problems would have solved themselves because you would have been practicing the

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[illegible] principles of Christianity which state that Christ came to earth to teach us how to be free and to use that freedom for the salvation of our souls.

You are further not practicing America principles of justice since we were told by the Supreme Court in 1903 that the Constitution was designed to limit the legislative powers so that the people could remain free and there was no way for courts to prevent the injustices caused by wrongful legislation. They went on to tell us that the only ones who had more authority than the legislatures were the people and they could protect their freedom only by demanding repeal of the laws that had caused the conditions which created the injustices. Obviously, then, your teachings are not American teachings. What are they.

But wait. Is you not bother to find out that was why [illegible] the problems that resulted in [illegible] of Christian have a good example of what those teachings result in simply by looking at the nations that have become slaves. Is that what you call Christianity.

By what right do you solicit funds from children to attempt to [illegible] rebellion in Iran. Where is there any teaching in Christianity that says men should teach children disrespect for Christ and God. When you use the United States mails for such a purpose you are certainly not practicing what you preach to us, [illegible].

Just because newspapers and television reporters have decided to destroy the United States so they can make money for themselves does not excuse so-called Christian organizations for bleeding [illegible] such destruction. Just exactly [illegible] happen to be [illegible] Christianity and to America [illegible] to further dishonesty.

[illegible]

Sincerely,

cc: [illegible]
[illegible] Vice Deal:
[illegible], The [illegible], Texas

P.S. If you have [illegible] to read the Bible [illegible] we are specifically told [illegible] "[illegible] by God." and "that I say to one nation I say to [illegible]. [illegible] are working for [illegible] violate the very [illegible] [illegible].

SOME IMPORTANT FISCAL FACTS ABOUT SCLC

- No officer of SCLC, including Dr. King, receives any salary or compensation for his services.
- Our administrative costs are well below the ratio regarded as standard by agencies.
- Our books are audited by Jesse B. Blayton, C.P.A. Our financial statement is published annually and is available to the public.
- Our fund raising is done in the most careful, economical fashion by our own staff and volunteers. We use no commercial fund raisers, resulting in the largest possible portion of your contribution going to actual work.
- Each contributor is kept informed of our activities by means of our newsletter.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO SCLC SUPPORTS:

- Voter Registration (Southwide)
- Citizenship Clinics and Work-shops on non-violence
- Direct Action Projects to end segregation
- Merit Employment Programs to end job discriminaton
- Special Educational Scholarships
- Legal Defense and bail for victims of racial injustice
- Citizenship and literacy schools

SCLC IS DEDICATED TO

helping the American Negro attain first class citizenship by NON-VIOLENT direct action and education.

"No American can afford to be apathetic about the problem of racial injustice."
—Martin Luther King, Jr.

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
A nonsectarian agency
332 Auburn Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Ga.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. President | RALPH ABERNATHY Treasurer

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Martin Luther King, Jr.
332 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E.
ATLANTA, GA.

March, 1965

Dear Friend:

When President Johnson declared that Selma, Alabama is joined in American history with Lexington and Concord and Appomattox, he honored not only our embattled Negroes, but the overwhelming majority of the nation, Negro and White.

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference has led the Selma struggle, but at its side were clergy and laymen of every race and faith, voluntarily risking brutality and even death.

Selma is a shining moment in the conscience of man. If the worst in American life lurked in the dark streets of Selma, the best of American democratic instincts arose from across the nation to overcome it.

The confrontation of good and evil, compressed in this tiny community, has generated the power to turn the whole nation to a new course.

The task of leading this hero community has all but exhausted our resources. Yet, to make victory real, we must continue and redouble our efforts. Until the laws are written and effectively enforced our work is not done.

Our SCLC staff veterans of Birmingham, St. Augustine and Montgomery, exceeding fifty, must be kept supplied. Local people who have sacrificed jobs, savings and health must be helped. The multitude of organizing expenses must be met.

At the same time, our self-help projects are operating in dozens of communities in South Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi and other states, providing literacy education for the wholly uneducated, and citizenship classes to remedy the faulty educations many have received.

Will you join us by contributing in this historic period as America, outraged and aroused, begins casting off its centuries old blight.

May we hear from you today.

With warmest good wishes,

Martin Luther King Jr.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Please make check
payable to SCLC.

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To: SAC, Salt Lake City

From: Director, FBI

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RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS)
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Enclosed are two copies of captioned individual's correspondence, with enclosures, for your information.

This individual should be contacted and at that time her letter to me should be acknowledged. The facts should be ascertained concerning the alleged threat against her young son which was set forth in her letter to me. It should be determined whether or not this threat constitutes any violation over which we have jurisdiction. If this matter is within the Bureau's jurisdiction, appropriate investigation should be instituted immediately. If not, correspondent should be politely informed of this, and it should be suggested that she make this threat known to the local police as quickly as possible. Our policy of not offering physical protection to individuals should be explained. Submit results to reach the Bureau by 4-22-65. If we have no jurisdiction, local police authorities should be advised if an actual threat exists.

Enclosures (10)
NOTE: We have had prior correspondence with this individual, the last being 2-10-64. She has been sent reprint material concerning communism. Her prior correspondence complained of school curriculum which apparently was in her mind slanted toward communism. The enclosures which were sent simply stated her views that Martin Luther King and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC were absolutely wrong in their approach that there is nothing Christian nor American about their activities. She advised that they had departed from the teachings of the Bible which are against those who "stir up strife." She asked for a return to the teachings of the Bible to solve the problems confronting us and a return to strict adherence to the Constitution which limits Federal Power. The SCLC is well known to the Bureau.
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Re Bureau airtel, 4/6/65, entitled, "Liaison with Groups Sponsoring Integration, RM."

Enclosed for the Bureau are 10 copies of a self-explanatory letterhead memorandum, and three copies are being furnished Atlanta. Information copies sent to Baltimore, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Los Angeles, and New York. Information copies are also being furnished to OSI, ONI, INTC, and Secret Service (2), Philadelphia.

For the Bureau's information and in reference to re airtel, the Philadelphia Office has as a liaison source [redacted] It is further noted that prior and subsequent to the riots in North Philadelphia in the summer of 1964 that the Rev. JAMES BEVEL, one of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING,JR.'s, close advisors, was in Philadelphia at Fellowship House and interviewed on two occasions by the Philadelphia Office. BEVEL was reasonably cooperative; however, at that time stated he had no authority to advise the FBI at any time of future plans of Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). He stated these decisions and information were furnished to the Federal Government by Dr. KING directly to the White House. (b)(7)(d)

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Philadelphia Office is aware that the Rev. Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING is scheduled to be in Philadelphia the first part of May 1965 and that he could possibly announce his plans publicly at this time.

The Bureau's attention is also called to the situation in Philadelphia involving CECIL B. MOORE, President of the Philadelphia Branch, NAACP. MOORE has had a running fight with the Negro clergy and the well-established Negro in Philadelphia as set out in Philadelphia bi-weekly letters to the Bureau, involving possibility of racial violence. In the past several months MOORE was quoted in Time magazine as saying he was the "God damn boss of the Negro in Philadelphia," and referred to Negro ministers as "bastards."

Under these circumstances it would appear that CECIL MOORE will not take kindly to the civil rights activity of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING in Philadelphia in the summer of 1965. It should further be noted that since the national wire story carrying the results of Dr. KING's speech in Baltimore 4/3/65, MOORE has reinstituted his grievance against the Girard College in Philadelphia, has demonstrated with the NAACP on 4/11/65 for alleged discriminatory hiring practices in a theater chain in Philadelphia and he intends to picket a department store in Philadelphia on 4/12/65 because the store did not contribute any of its huge 1964 profits to the alleviation of the Negroes' plight in Philadelphia.

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ATLANTA:

AT ATLANTA, GA.

Will advise Philadelphia of any information re contemplated plans of Dr. KING to come to Philadelphia and put on civil rights demonstrations.

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PHILADELPHIA:
AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Will contact [redacted] and obtain all information available re plans of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and his projected activity in Philadelphia. (b)(7)(D)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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File No.

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

April 13, 1965

CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVITY SUMMER CONFERENCE, PHILADELPHIA, PA., BY MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The "Philadelphia Evening Bulletin," a daily newspaper, dated April 10, 1965, on page three, carried a headline "Get Ready-We're Coming, Rev. King Aide Tells City." The story states that the Rev. RALPH D. ABERNATHY, close associate of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), addressed 1,200 people at the Bright Hope Baptist Church, 12th and Oxford Streets, April 9, 1965, and was quoted as saying, "All is not well with the Negro in Philadelphia and you may as well get ready because we're coming... We do not beg any longer. We demand freedom now."

The address was sponsored by a three-week old civil rights group in Philadelphia identifying itself as the North Philadelphia United, which is directed by GEORGIE WOODS, popular Negro disc jockey in Philadelphia.

In his address the Rev. ABERNATHY also pleaded for a negotiated peace in Vietnam and urged the admission of Red China to the United Nations. He explained that this did not mean that his group was giving in to the Communist philosophy.

It was also announced at the meeting how the profits from a freedom show held March 23, 1965, in Convention Hall in Philadelphia produced by GEORGIE WOODS would be disseminated to charitable agencies in Philadelphia. Recipients included the following:

Allied Jewish Appeal
Catholic Charities

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Philadelphia Independent Charities (newspaper)
Mercy Douglass Hospital
Bureau for Child Care
Freedom Library
Youth Council of NAACP
Sickle Cell Anemia Organization
Woman's Christian Alliance
Bright Hope Baptist Church

WOODS said an additional $10,000 would be held in escrow for other worthy causes.

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-933)

RE: SUTTER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION FOR POLITICAL EDUCATION (SCOPE)
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SUMMER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION FOR
POLITICAL ENJOYMENT (SCOPE)

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, page 1, column 2, reported that BAYARD RUSTIN, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), held in New York City, on February 9-12, 1957.

The "Daily Worker" was an east coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958.

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that BAYARD RUSTIN contacted BENJAMIN J. DAVIS on those dates, and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, DAVIS told RUSTIN that he was working on his request and had contacted friends who had contacts with the group to which RUSTIN was to speak. (S) (U)

BENJAMIN J. DAVIS

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The "New York Times", Monday, August 24, 1964, page 27, column 4, reports that BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on Saturday night, August 22, 1964.

SUMMER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION FOR POLITICAL EDUCATION (SCOPE)

CLARENCE JONES

CLARENCE JONES is the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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The Labor Youth League has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

GANDHI SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

The Gandhi Society for Human Rights was formed for the purpose of developing a philosophy and technique of non-violent civil rights protests. It is a non-action organization and makes no attempt to influence legislation nor participate in demonstrations. The Society furnishes legal assistance in certain civil rights cases. The organization was incorporated June 14, 1962.

HARRY H. WACHTEL

HARRY H. WACHTEL is the Executive Vice President for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City. WACHTEL resides at 29 Split Rock Drive, Kings Port, Long Island, New York.

SUMMER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION FOR
POLITICAL EDUCATION (SCOPE)

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THE NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised and published as of January 2, 1957, to supersede Guide published on May 14, 1951, by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U. S. House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following information concerning "The National Lawyers Guild":

1. Cited as a Communist front.

   (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 148).

2. Cited as a Communist front which "is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations and controlled unions" and which "since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents." (Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally released September 17, 1950.)

3. "To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the National Lawyers' Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection."

   (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 27, 1956, p. 91).

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Title	SUMMER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION FOR POLITICAL EDUCATION (SCOPE)
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - C
Reference	Letterhead Memorandum dated and captioned as above at Atlanta, Ga.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 4/14/65

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (44-1727)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, UNIDENTIFIED ALABAMA STATE TROOPERS; ETAL; HOSEA WILLIAMS, JOHN ROBERT LEWIS, ETAL - VICTIMS
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By teletype from Mobile to Atlanta, 4/6/65, Mobile stated Departmental Attorneys desired to establish, if possible, the identity of the individual or individuals who advised Negro leaders at Selma, Alabama, prior to the march on March 7, 1965, that the Negroes would be stopped, tear-gassed and possibly beaten. In this connection, Mobile requested that Rev. ANDREW YOUNG and HOSEA WILLIAMS of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) be interviewed.

On April 7, 1965, SA [redacted] twice called the office of SCLC for the purpose of contacting HOSEA WILLIAMS to make an appointment for interview. The switchboard operator advised WILLIAMS was not in, but she would have him call SA [redacted] when he came in. WILLIAMS did not return the call on April 7 or 8, 1965. During the afternoon of April 8, 1965, SA [redacted] contacted SCLC by telephone and was connected with HOSEA WILLIAMS; however, WILLIAMS stated he was then on a long distance telephone call and took SA [redacted] name and telephone number and said he would return the call when he completed his long distance call. Approximately one hour later, SA [redacted] again telephonically contacted WILLIAMS, at which time he stated he was still on long distance call and again took SA [redacted] name and telephone number, saying he would return the call. He was advised at that time that an interview was desired to obtain information desired by

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the Department of Justice concerning the march at Selma, Ala., on March 7, 1965. WILLIAMS again failed to return the telephone call on April 8, 1965.

On April 9, 1965, SCLC was again telephonically contacted for the purpose of arranging an appointment with WILLIAMS. His secretary said WILLIAMS had gone to Savannah, Georgia, that morning on a 7:00 a.m. plane and would return the following day, Saturday, April 10, 1965.

On April 10, 1965, SA [redacted] again contacted SCLC and was advised by the switchboard operator that WILLIAMS was not in the office, but might be in about 3:00 p.m. SA [redacted] called SCLC again on April 10, 1965, at approximately 3:30, 4:30 and 5:00 p.m., and received no answer. At approximately 6:00 p.m., SA [redacted] succeeded in contacting WILLIAMS by telephone at SCLC Headquarters. WILLIAMS was reminded that he promised to return calls on Thursday, April 4, 1965, and failed to do so. WILLIAMS stated he is a very busy man and had too much to do to return SA [redacted] call. He stated he has been placed in charge of a program involving a budget of $35,000 and his staff has increased from three to thirty-three people, and he is "busier then Hoover, King, Johnson or anyone else." He stated he has spent the last three nights in the office of SCLC. It is noted his secretary said he had gone to Savannah the previous day. He was again advised an interview with him was desired at the request of Departmental Attorneys relative to the march in Selma, Ala. on March 7, 1965. He was told that if he does not desire to furnish information in this regard the Department of Justice will be so advised.

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WILLIAMS then commented that the FBI does not cooperate with him. He was admonished for this statement and was advised of the jurisdiction and responsibilities of the FBI.

WILLIAMS then said he would answer questions on the telephone and the information desired by Departmental Attorneys was elicited from him at that time.

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For information, HOSEA WILLIAMS is director of voter registration for SCLC and is in charge of "The Summer Community Organization for Political Education (SCOPE)".

The above information is being brought to the attention of the Bureau to indicate the attitude of HOSEA WILLIAMS, and SCLC employees, and to highlight another example of uncooperation with the Bureau in its areas of responsibility. The information is also being furnished Mobile in the event contact is had with WILLIAMS.

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V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE H. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1155

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 4-23-65

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (100-10323) RUC

SUBJECT: COMINFIL SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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[redacted] and [redacted] contacted in captioned case, are established sources. Bureau instructions will be followed and future contacts in this case will be made only with established sources and informants.

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